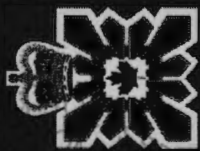


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Mission Statement

The people
of CSIS are
dedicated to
the protection
of Canada's
national security
interests and
the safety of
Canadians

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WHO WE ARE

- Canada's National security intelligence agency
- A civilian organization
- Work is preventive
- No power to arrest or detain
- Over 3,000 employees



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MANDATE

Our Mandate is Clear

- We investigate threats
- We collect and analyze information
- We produce intelligence reports
- We advise the Government of Canada
- We provide security assessments



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BILL C-51:

Anti-Terrorism Act 2015

- Royal Assent was received on June 18, 2015
- introduced in response to the terrorist threat and attacks of October 2014
- enhances and creates new tools to identify and respond to threats
- creates a new threat reduction mandate for CSIS



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CSIS MANDATE

Section 12:

Collect, analyse and retain information and intelligence on activities that may on reasonable grounds be suspected of constituting threats to the security of Canada

- Espionage or sabotage
- Foreign influenced activities
- Terrorism and politically, ideologically, religiously motivated violence
- Subversion

Report to and advise the Government of Canada



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Section 12.1:

CSIS authorized to take direct action to reduce threats to the security of Canada

- higher threshold than collection: **reasonable grounds to believe**
- applies to all threats to the security of Canada, as defined in section 2 of the CSIS Act
- measures must be reasonable and proportionate in the circumstances, having regard to the nature of the threat, the nature of the measure and the reasonable availability of other means



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Security of Canada Information Sharing Act

- The Act provides a clear, explicit authority for all Government of Canada departments and agencies to share information to designated recipients
 - CSIS will be designated as a recipient
- Intent is to eliminate uncertainty as to whether information may be shared with CSIS as well as overcome challenges associated with relying on the *Privacy Act*
- Public Safety is leading a number of implementation initiatives to provide guidance to officials on the exercise of this authority (e.g., deskbook, training and possibly regulations)

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PRIORITIES

Priorities and Threat Environment Today

- Terrorism
- Radicalization/
Facilitation/ Travel/ Plots
- Espionage and
Foreign Interference
- Chemical, Biological,
Radiological, Nuclear
and Explosive Weapons
- Cyber-Security
- Security screening



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TERRORISM

The threat
from Islamist
extremism,
specifically
ISIL and AQ,
is the primary
focus of our
activities



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RADICALIZATION

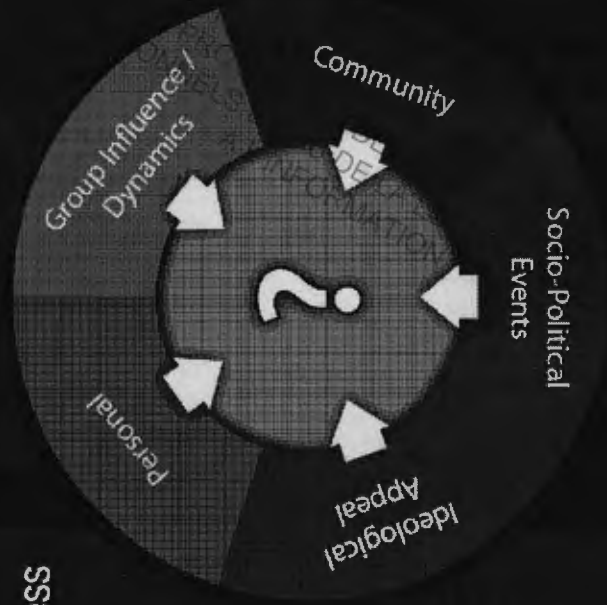
Radicalization is the process whereby individuals adopt extremist political or religious ideologies

- Multiple factors play a role in explaining why some individuals / groups engage in terrorist violence

Individuals may become radicalized, yet never act on their beliefs or engage in threat-related activities

Not a simple, linear process

Not one clear profile / pathway



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FACILITATION

Helping others commit acts
of violence through:

- Financing
- Support and guidance
- Networking



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TRAVEL

Challenges in estimating the number of Canadian fighters abroad:

- Travel alone does not establish terrorist intentions or activity
- Initial destination often not of concern ("broken travel")
- Legitimate pretext (family visit, education, etc.)

Canada is not an outlier on this issue



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RETURNEES, THWARTED TRAVELLERS



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Returnees with training and experience may one day engage in threat-related activity within Canada

Thwarted travellers may feel compelled to act domestically

Potential threat-related activity pathways:

Extremist travel
returnees/thwarted travellers

Return to
'normality'

Radicalization

Financing

Travel
legal/illegal

Attack
planning

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PLOTS

HOMEGROWN

No foreign mastermind
Almost all known plots in Canada
Lone actor threats

FOREIGN APPROVAL OR GUIDANCE

Foreign help/ support sought for a plot

FOREIGN DIRECTED

Foreign group plots, recruits and
funds attack against the West



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OCTOBER ATTACKS

Implications:

- Disrupting extremist travel does not necessarily disrupt an extremists' motivation and intent
- May incite other Canadians to act
- Returnee with training could conduct a more sophisticated attack



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LOOKING FORWARD

CSIS

responds by:

investigating

providing advice,

assessments to

the GOC & law-

enforcement

partners

Travel will
continue,
but focus
will change
over time

Extremist
violence to
remain an
ongoing
threat



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ESPIONAGE

Espionage and Foreign Interference

The increasing
shift from political
and military
intelligence to
economic and
technological
information



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SECURITY

Cyber
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Investigating
threats against
critical
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systems and
infrastructure
posed by foreign
countries,
terrorists and
hackers



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WEAPONS

Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and Explosive Weapons (CBRNE)

Investigating foreign
states and terrorist
organizations that seek
to develop and produce
weapons of mass
destruction, including:
chemical, biological, nuclear
and radiological weapons



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PRINCIPLES

Operational Principles

- Rule of law
- Proportional to gravity of threat
- Civil liberties
- Investigation techniques
- Lawful advocacy, protest and dissent



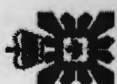
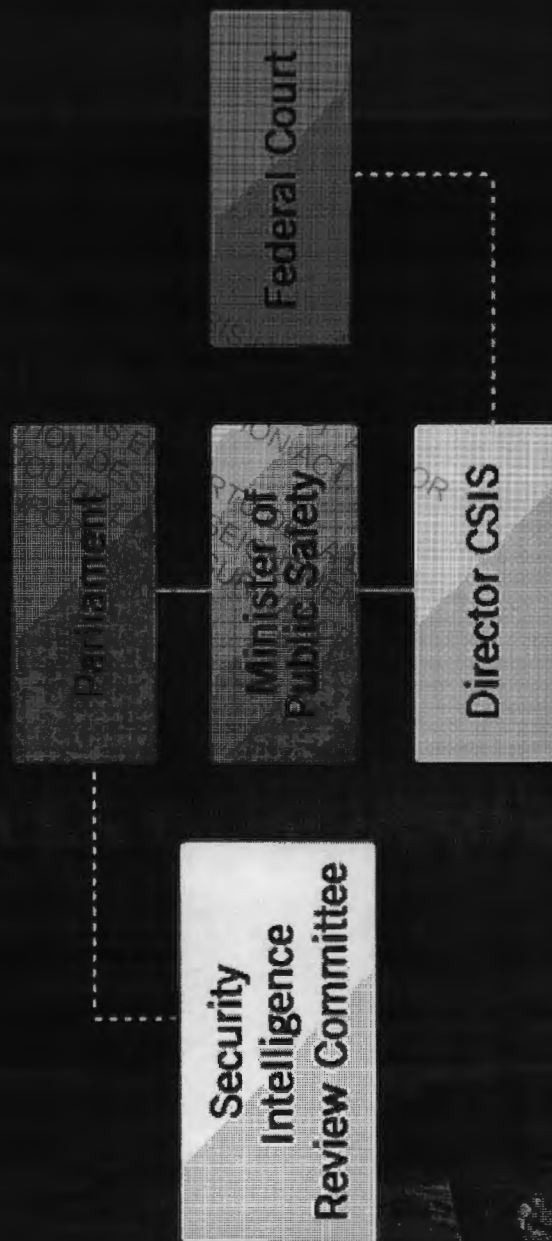
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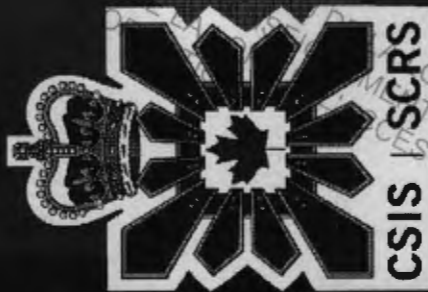
Accountability Matters



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QUESTIONS?

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